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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR.

SHOOTING AT GASTONIA.

Geo. A. Jenkins Shot By Spake Elmore At Latter's Home—Whole Affair Is A Mystery—Jenkins' Friends Say They Went On Business—Elmore Says He Took Jenkins For A Burglar.

Gastonia, March 20.—As a result of a mysterious shooting affair at the home of Spake Elmore, on East Franklin avenue, tonight about 9:30 o'clock, George A. Jenkins, a well-known business man of Gastonia, now lies in the hospital with a full load of gun shot in his lower left stomach and Spake Elmore is in jail awaiting developments in the condition of the wounded man. There were no eyewitnesses to the shooting and the facts are hard to get at, although all sorts of wild rumors are afloat.

According to John Thomas, a white barber, who was waiting in a carriage for Jenkins, he and Jenkins drove down to the Elmore home to get some chickens, for which Jenkins had made a bargain with Spake Elmore's father this afternoon. Jenkins had gone up the steps and was on the porch when Spake Elmore opened fire. The full load took effect in Jenkins' lower left stomach, but he was able to stumble down the steps and out to the carriage. Thomas lifted him inside and drove madly to the hospital, over a half-mile distant.

Spake Elmore says that he saw some one walking around the house, and, owing to a lack of light at the spot, he did not recognize who it was. Thinking the prowler was possibly a burglar, he shot.

The whole occurrence is veiled in mystery and details are not available. The general opinion, however, seems to be that there is something back of the affair that has not yet come to light. It is said that all parties had been drinking.

Jenkins is part owner of the Gastonia Livery Company and is fairly prominent. Elmore, although only 18 years old, is married and has two children. He and his family were living at the home of his father, where the shooting occurred. He made no attempt whatever to escape after the shooting, but was found by the officers sitting by the fire in his room.

The physicians are unable to say whether or not Jenkins will live. His condition is serious, to say the least.

Cyclone and Severe Rain Storm Visit Core Point.

Washington, N. C., March 20.—News reached this city today of a cyclone and severe rain storm which last night visited Core Point, about 10 miles from here on the Pamlico river, doing considerable damage to property and injuring several persons.

As nearly as can be ascertained four residences were blown down and the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Mayo was demolished. Mr. and Mrs. Mayo were both injured by falling timbers. Mrs. Mayo's injuries are thought to be serious.

The storm continued down the west bank of the river, doing considerable damage to crops and out-houses on farms in the Aurora section. Buildings on the farms of Mrs. Sallie Mayo and Mrs. Walter Nixon, near Aurora, were blown from their foundations.

Says His Wife Tried to Burn Him as He Slept.

Salisbury, N. C., March 20.—Charging that his wife tried to burn him as he slept and then set fire to the bed clothes, Sam Young, a tenant of a farm five miles from Salisbury, came to town today in search of officers. He declared that he and his wife had retired in good humor, that he was awakened by the smell of smoke that was coming from the bed and that he was unable to free himself until the fire burned the rope just in time to save his life. He bore several burns on his face when he reached this city. The affair is a mystery and the officers are making investigation.

Commission Form of Government Defeated at Raleigh.

Raleigh, N. C., March 20.—Commission government was defeated in Raleigh today by a vote of 302 to 431. The result is freely attributed to the absence of the initiative and referendum clauses from the Raleigh charter. Many who were at first committed to the commission form of government changed their views three days ago when it was freely proclaimed that the clauses from the Raleigh charter, not have the initiative and referendum features as embodied in the Wilmington, Greensboro and Asheville charters.

Augusta Missionary Dies in China.

Atlanta, Ga., March 20.—News was received by relatives here today of the death of Rev. David L. Anderson, head of the Soo Chaw (Methodist) University at Soo Chaw China, on March 16, of pneumonia. Dr. Anderson formerly lived at Augusta, Ga., and was well-known throughout the South.

Harem Skirt Strikes Birmingham.

Birmingham, Ala., March 17.—Birmingham was given a decided shock this afternoon when an unknown young woman appeared on the streets in a harem skirt. There was no question about its interfering with traffic. The curious grew to a regular mob, and no less than five hundred people followed her everywhere she went. She finally took refuge in one of the big buildings.

NEW EQUIPMENT FOR THE DUMMY.

W. A. Smith has ordered a new engine and one more car similar to the car run with the dummy last year. With the new equipment the Laurel Park railway company can comfortably carry 600 people on one trip.

During the past winter an extension has been made on the railroad and many improvements have been made on the track which runs along 5th avenue. Last Saturday and Sunday the motor car was run satisfactorily every hour. This car will be used largely by itself early in the morning and late at night when the crowds have thinned out and it is not necessary to run the dummy and larger car.

Upon the arrival of the dummy the old one will be placed upon the side track and kept in readiness to be fired up and take the place of the other in case of an accident, making a stop of only 20 minutes before the schedule can be regained. This will avoid all danger of that which happened last summer out at the park when quite a crowd of people were forced to walk into town on account of an accident. Mr. Smith says there will be no danger now of having to walk to town on account of the dummy not running.

The new engine will be heavier and stronger than the old one and will be capable of hauling all the cars in town along the entire route.

The H. H. S. Team Victorious.

The Hendersonville High School base ball team opened the season of 1911 in an auspicious manner Saturday, March 18, by winning a double header in Saluda. The first game was between our boys and a team representing Saluda and resulted in a rather easy victory for Hendersonville, the final score being 39 to 3. In the second game our boys had as opponents the Saluda Seminary team, and even though the score, 35 to 7, is rather one-sided, the game was very exciting from start to finish.

The features of the first game were the batting of Miller, Young, Johnson and Shipman, and the fielding of Dickens and Ramsey of Hendersonville, while Barukke of Saluda showed up well with the stick. In the second game Miller and Dickens of Hendersonville distinguished themselves with the bat while Rice of Saluda seminary figured greatly in the scoring of his team.

Batteries for Hendersonville: First game Young and Shipman. Second game Allen and Shipman.

Our boys were handsomely entertained by the Saluda seminary aggregation and, at the invitation of Prof. George C. Burrage, partook of a delightful luncheon before the game.

Horse Shoe Items.

The clod hoppers are doing about this fine weather.

Mrs. J. R. Livertt who has been on the sick list for some time is improving.

Mrs. W. V. Turner of Spartanburg, S. C. is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Underwood.

Mr. John Moffett who has had a severe attack of heart trouble is improving.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. Allison on last Sunday a boy. Mother and child are doing nicely.

Floyd Nicholson killed his big hog last Wednesday which tipped the scales at 414 pounds.

R. P. Freeman has bought 12 acres of fine farming land from W. B. Case which adds considerably to the value of his place.

Jesse Allison is on the sick list this week.

Rev. Jamison will preach at Holly Springs Sunday night.

Misses Marjo and Sallie Kate Murray, Agnes and Bertha Woodfin are taking a normal course at Etawah, under M. A. Matherson.

A. L. Davenport had the misfortune of getting his arm mashed Saturday.

Mrs. E. P. Clement visited Mrs. R. E. Gash last week.

W. B. Allison went to town last Monday on business.

Milton Allen is still in the lead in the big hog contest.

FLAT ROCK NEWS.

Mrs. Coble, wife of Rev. T. S. Coble, pastor of the E. Flat Rock Methodist church, is in Mecklenburg county, visiting relatives.

Dr. J. F. Cranford is to leave Flat Rock and locate in Hendersonville. He will be associated with Dr. Kirk. Dr. Cranford has had a wide practice in this vicinity and Flat Rock gives him up with reluctance.

The Flat Rock graded school closes on Friday the 24th, with an entertainment at 8 o'clock in the evening. Prof. Klein and his able corps of teachers, Misses Hight, Williams and Pittillo have done most excellent work this year and their efforts are reflected in the recitals which have been given by their pupils from time to time. A large crowd is expected at the closing exercise of the year and an interesting program is promised.

LOCAL AND OTHERWISE.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Carson, Tuesday night, a daughter.

Dr. R. B. Grinnan and Rev. Jno. W. Moore will exchange pulpits next Sunday evening.

A very interesting article on the Hookworm disease may be found in another column of this paper.

The Baracas and Phillatoes of North Carolina will meet in annual convention at Greensboro April 23 and 24.

Parties coming to town from the No. 2 Horse Shoe section say that there has been a great deal of gripe in that neighborhood recently.

This will, no doubt, be a great week for rejoicing among the ladies of Hendersonville—three millinery openings all in one week.

We understand that there has been a prevalence of measles among the children and young folks around and near Fletcher, this spring.

Some people are eternally fussy. An Indiana man wants a divorce from his wife because she bathes the dog in the dishpan.

Mrs. Posey has returned from Atlanta where she attended the millinery openings in that city. She purchased some of her goods in that city.

Blum's almanac which is considered authority on such matters, says Tuesday, the 21st, was the official beginning of spring, and that the days and nights are now equal.

Think of all the hope there is in the small boy's breast at just about this time. First the baseball season, then the summer vacation to look forward to.

The millinery opening to be held at Miss M. E. Woodall's store on Main street will be the attraction for many of Hendersonville's shoppers next Saturday, March 25.

Secretary Drake asks us to say that there will be a meeting of the Merchants Association tonight, and it is earnestly desired that every member be present as business of importance is to be transacted.

Maxwell & Brown will have another big organ sale Saturday, the 25th. To the first thirty-five ladies attending their sale Saturday morning, they will give away, absolutely free, a nice present. See their ad in another column.

An error was made in the advertising columns of this paper in the last issue. Dr. C. Few advertised Rhode Island eggs at \$1.00 for 15 eggs when it should have been \$1.50. The doctor received several orders for settings before the mistake could be corrected.

The boys of the Methodist Sunday school wish us to announce that they hereby challenge the boys of the First Baptist church Sunday school to meet them on the grounds of the city graded school, there to cross bats in the great National American game—Base Ball.

A law class composed of five young men of the city have begun reading law under the able instructions of Mr. Michael Schenck. The class is following: J. E. Brown, J. C. Schell, C. Few, William Oats and Gordon Garlington.

Mrs. A. E. Posey announces her spring opening next Friday and Saturday. Everybody is cordially invited to see the display of new hats. Many of the town's matrons will set aside other duties and come to see this display of new creations and styles.

Now-a-days people do not wear out their shoe leather chasing themselves from one end of town to the other in search of a plumber, a painter, a carpenter, plasterer or any other mechanic or tradesman they may be in need of, but they look in the advertising columns of their home paper, where they expect to find a card. Judicious advertising pays every time.

Mrs. D. M. Wells lost a solitary diamond out of the setting of her engagement ring in Asheville one day last week. A diligent search was made soon after but the precious stone could not be found. When she arrived in Hendersonville a telegram was handed her that the diamond had been found in the store of Sumner, Sons & Co.

Miss Maude Griffin of Atlanta is again in charge of the trimming department of Mrs. A. E. Posey's store. Miss Griffin has won a reputation of being an expert trimmer and her friends will be glad to know that she has returned to Hendersonville this season. Miss Griffin is recommended as being among Atlanta's best trimmers.

Miss Frances Burchfield has arrived to take charge of the millinery department of the Hendersonville Mercantile Co. Miss Burchfield has been here for several seasons past and the host of friends she has made while with this company will be delighted to know she has returned in time for the Spring opening next Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25.

The Hustler company has delivered

over 10,000 little folders entitled "A Few Facts About Hendersonville" to the various business houses of the city. These little folders will be sent out all over the United States advertising the town in many ways. The data of the circular was carefully composed by a committee of citizens and has been pronounced by many to be a complete list of facts about the growing city of Hendersonville.

We understand that a number of Henderson county young men left here Monday morning for Aberdeen, Wash. We are always sorry to hear of any of Henderson county's young men going so far away from home. We hope they will do well in their new home but we dare say that before next hog killing time the majority of them will be claiming citizenship in our good old county again.

We are publishing on our farm page this week an article copied from the North Carolina Agricultural Bulletin of October 1910, headed "Preparation of the Soil and Production of Corn," by A. Cannon. Mr. Cannon is known as one of the leading and most up-to-date farmers in this section of the State, and all Henderson county farmers should read the article, which they will, no doubt, with much interest.

Boys Corn Clubs are becoming to be of State wide interest. Last fall the boys had a great deal to say of what they had accomplished in corn raising. News comes from all sections of the state that great preparations are being made by the boys for a greater corn contest than ever before. Henderson county boys who may be interested in these contests will find an article on our farmers page this week headed "Corn Clubs," and signed by Mr. T. B. Parker, that will be of much interest to them.

An exchange well says: "Now is a good time to take a glance over your back yards and devise some plan to outstrut the papers, fruit cans, rubbers, etc. which has accumulated since last fall. You can generally judge the occupants of a house by the condition in which the yards are kept. In a general sense we all pride ourselves on being clean and tidy. The house and its surroundings, above all places in the world, should be scrupulously guarded against contaminating influences."

On last Monday morning our efficient bookkeeper came bounding into the office dead on time and looking as gay and fresh as a Lily, and stated that she had just clipped off some hair (over) miles or more, having spent the night in the country, and walked into town just for the fun and exercise, and she enjoyed the landscape and Brooks on the road side. She wanted to bet us a milk chocolate that she could beat us in a foot race to Laurel Park and return, but there was nothing doing with us. She is a walker she is.

Considerable building is now under way and much more contemplated in the near future in Hendersonville. Architect, Bernice E. Carter, tells us that he now has under erection a residence for Miss Susie V. McColough, to cost \$3,500; another for John T. Wilkins to cost \$2,500, and one for Mrs. Barrows to cost \$2,250. He has also completed plans for the following parties: Geo. H. Bramlett, \$2,500; S. T. Hodges, \$2,500; B. H. Owen, \$3,500; Mrs. Walker, \$1,500; Mrs. Gover, \$4,500; W. M. McPeeters, \$3,000; B. C. Carter, \$1,750.

In conversation with a gentleman from South Carolina a few days ago, who had been spending several weeks in Hendersonville, he told a Hustler representative that he had made several trips into the country around Hendersonville, since coming here and he was surprised to find so much good farming land, and especially corn land. He said that he believed the land of Henderson county was especially adapted to corn growing and he saw no reason why there should not be just as large corn crops raised in this county as there was in South Carolina.

Messrs. George Bramlett and V. E. Grant returned last Thursday night from Greensboro, where they had been in attendance upon the bi-ennial meeting of the W. O. W. of North Carolina. They say that there were about 300 delegates in attendance, and that the people of Greensboro entertained them royally. They made strenuous efforts to land the convention for Hendersonville in 1913, but Morehead City and Asheville were strong opponents and Asheville secured the prize. They distributed many Hendersonville booklets among the delegates, and no doubt did our city much good.

The entire shipment of kitchen sets which have been the talk of the town were all given away by the Hustler company and a new order placed at once. This combination set has proved a winner and we are receiving orders daily for sets in connection with the subscription to the French Broad Hustler for one year.

The sum of \$1.85 has proven to many to be far less than the value of the set alone besides getting it with the French Broad Hustler. Those who get their order in at this office during the next ten days will be included in the next order for sets. Come in early and give us your order for a subscription to the Hustler for one year.

A \$15,000 BOND ELECTION FOR GRADED SCHOOL BUILDING

An election has been called by the city council Tuesday May 2nd, to ascertain whether or not the voters of Hendersonville desire a school bond issue of \$15,000 for the purpose of erecting a modern school in this city. This call comes from the recommendation of the board of trustees which met last week and decided that the town was badly in need of a new school building.

The election will in all probabilities be carried with overwhelming majority, and it is only a question of a few months before the town will have a modern structured school building amply large enough to accommodate the school children of the city.

Two hundred dollars will be spent immediately in advertising Hendersonville in the National Magazine, which publication claims a circulation of over 200,000 subscribers. Mr. Hogg, a traveling representative of this magazine was here last week and met many of the leading citizens, who want before the council an advertisement of this amount be spent on advertising the advantages of this city. It is thought that provided any decision results are derived from this method of advertising, more will be done in the future.

The committee of ten citizens appointed at the last joint meeting of the Commercial Club and Retail Merchants Association were instrumental in getting this measure passed by the city council.

IT WAS NOT CHARLOTTE BUT HENDERSONVILLE.

The Charlotte Observer of last Monday had the following concerning President Taft:

"President William Howard Taft, Chief Magistrate of this sovereign republic again was Charlotte's guest last night. But he didn't know it. Neither did many residents of this queerly city. He went through with whirlwind speed at 9:50 o'clock, riding in his private car, which was being drawn as first section of train No. 32. Mr. Taft was on his way to his official domicile at Washington, after having addressed the Southern Commercial Congress in Atlanta week before last and having spent the remainder of the time on the golf links of Augusta, Ga., his favorite resort. It was doubtless a matter of regret with him, though he was not overheard to express it, that pressing engagements of state importance prevented him from spending a few weeks in Charlotte, where he could be introduced to the merits of the golf links of the Mecklenburg Country Club and incidentally to renew his acquaintance with Charlotte's gallant sons and lovely daughters—as the Houston Post would say."

"Oh, no, no, brother, you are dead wrong," Mr. Taft was not worrying himself about a matter as insignificant as his inability to stop over in our city to look into the merits of the golf links of the Mecklenburg Country Club and renew his acquaintances with Charlotte's gallant sons and lovely daughters. Not at all, not at all. But when the president of these United States passed through your city, whether he was asleep or awake, he was fondly dreaming of the time when he could visit Hendersonville and view the magnificent 18-hole golf links of the Highland Lake Club, and have the grand and glorious opportunity of meeting the stalwart men of the garden spot of God's creation, and beholding the prettiest women within the borders of this grand old commonwealth. That is what the president was thinking about when he passed through your city, and don't you dare say it wasn't either."

Ten Thousand Dollars' Worth Spartanburg is offering music this year that costs her ten thousand dollars. Her South Atlantic States Music Festival for 1911 represents that much and may go higher. The reason is that some of the most noted musicians in the world have been engaged and the prices they charge correspond with their reputations. The list includes Mme Lillian Nordica soprano; Signor Antonio Scotti, baritone; Mme Alice Nielsen, soprano; the New York Symphony quartette composed of Miss Florence Hinckle, soprano; Miss Christine Miller, contralto; Mr. Albert Quessel, tenor; and Mr. Arthur Middleton, baritone. In addition there is Walter Damroch with the New York Symphony orchestra of fifty pieces. Probably no such combination of talent was ever gotten together before in a city the size of Spartanburg. Yet the prices are the same as always. There will be five concerts beginning the evening of April 26th, tickets for the whole five selling for only six dollars. This makes an average price of one dollar and twenty cents when to hear any one of these concerts in New York or Chicago would cost from three dollars to five dollars. Then, there is the Festival chorus composed of two hundred voices going with and adding to the enjoyment of the occasion. Special arrangements are made for the care of out of town visitors in the auditorium. Inquiries addressed to the Festival Committee will be promptly answered.

Sparks From a Live Wire.

Watch the sparks fly from three live wires, Morrow, Fletcher and Dermid, proprietors of the Rigby-Morrow Co. They are now putting on the market doors at the small price of 85 cents, 90 cents, \$1.15 and \$1.35. A prominent New York lawyer once said, "The poor has but little showing in the courts against the rich," but there is no distinction made between the two classes when buying doors from Rigby-Morrow Co.

Flower seeds at Hunter's Pharmacy.

Conference of Pastors and Laymen.—Commencing this evening at 7:45 o'clock, and continuing through until tomorrow night, there will be held at the Methodist church in this city, a conference of pastors and laymen, embracing Hendersonville Station, Henderson, Fairview, Mills River, Tryon and Saluda, Flat Rock and Tryon circuits. Every pastor and official member of the church are members of the conference and are urged to attend. The sessions of the Conference are as follows: Thursday evening at 7:45; Friday at 9 A. M., 3 P. M. and 7:45 P. M.

The topics to be discussed follow:—Evangelism, Missions, Sunday Schools, Epworth Leagues, Pastoral Support and all interests of the Kingdom of God. Reports from pastors and stewards.

Among the speakers who will be present and take an active part in the proceedings are: Dr. C. W. Byrd, of Asheville; Dr. H. K. Boyer, of Statesville, one of the Missionary Secretaries; Rev. W. H. Willis, of Waynesville; Dr. D. Atkins, the presiding elder of the Asheville district, and other pastors and laymen.

It is estimated that about 100 persons belong to this conference, but it is not thought that more than perhaps fifty persons will attend from outside of town.

The pastor, Rev. Jno. W. Moore, earnestly requests all members of the church and the public, generally, to come out to these meetings as a rare treat is promised all who attend.

The Fourth Conference.—The second quarterly conference for the Hendersonville circuit of the Methodist church will be held at Hill-girt church Saturday, 25th, by Rev. Jno. W. Moore in the absence of Dr. Atkins, the presiding elder.

Mr. Moore will preach Saturday at 11 o'clock and Sunday morning and hold a business session Saturday afternoon. Interesting speeches will be made by Dr. Few, Mr. T. E. Durfee and others.

There will be preaching Saturday night also. Let every steward on the charge be present with a good report, and let us urgently requested that all pray for a gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the meeting.

Stop Knocking.—The "Knocker" is a person we all can well spare. He is known in every town and community. He knocks on his town constantly and keeps a chorus of discouragement hand to throw at every public enterprise that comes along. He contributes nothing to the public welfare, yet is everlastingly nursing a sore spot against the world, because he feels he has not been treated properly. He knocks on every local paper, because it isn't as big as the Chicago Tribune or some of the other large city papers, but roars loudly and loud when he is asked to pay up his subscription.

Three Car Loads Lumber.—Within the past few weeks the firm of J. R. Willson, wholesale and retail lumber, has received and sold three car loads of lumber. One of the cars was unloaded and delivered direct to the customers without having to store it in the mammoth yard of this firm. Mr. Willson is one of Hendersonville's most progressive merchants and fully realizes the value of printer's ink as a business getter. Today's issue will show the famous E. E. St. Point advertisement which he has recently accepted the agency for. At the present time all the lumber dealers in town are receiving heavy orders for building material, and J. R. Willson is receiving a very liberal share of the patronage of Hendersonville's house-builders and contractors.

Upward News.—Miss Mollie Haydock who has been on the sick list for the last few weeks is reported no better.

Mr. Asbury Mummitt, of Transylvania, died Saturday morning and was brought to this place and buried at a grave yard near Upward. He was 76 years old and his many friends mourn his loss.

Mr. John Hyder and family visited Mr. J. C. Hill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jones and child visited Mrs. Pink Jones Monday.

L. L.